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Germany (Soviet Zone)

Wittstock Airfield

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EVALUATION see below

PLACE OBTAINED

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DATE OF CONTENT 13 August to 1 September 1951

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. A maximum of 13 jet aircraft were observed at Wittstock airfield between 13 and 26 August 1951. The planes practiced formation flying on 15 August. The longest flight lasted 35 minutes.

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On 24 August, 13 three-axle tank trucks with trailers arrived at the field and proceeded to the landing field.

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4. On 30 and 31 August, 7 MIG-15s and 2 biplanes were parked in front of the closed hangars at the field. Two jet fighters practiced flying on both days.

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No stored aircraft crates were seen. A radar set was located about 300 meters south of the west end of the runway. Two radio installations with four masts each were about 600 meters west of the end of the runway. (2)

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5. On 4 September, 28 jet fighters were observed at the field. Sixteen of them were parked in front of the hangars and the rest on the east edge of the field. (3) In addition, 2 biplanes and 1 single-engine plane with a two-man crew were seen flying over the field. At 11:50 a.m., 26 jet fighters took off in groups of two at short intervals. The last two planes were aloft at 11:52 a.m. The landings were made individually from 12:32 to 12:41 p.m. In the afternoon, flights were made by jet fighters flying in formations of 2, 4 and 8 planes. At 6:20 p.m., 3 planes

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landed at the field and at 6:25 p.m., 2 planes

took off. Flying continued until nightfall. The sky was almost cloudless and visibility was moderate. Two Dumbo type radar sets were located in front of the airfield buildings. (5) Two radio installations with four masts each were about 300 meters north of the Hasslow-Briesen road and about 400 meters west of the field path leading from Rotemuehle to the Eichenfelde estate. (2) From there, a thick cable led to Rotemuehle which was occupied by Soviet soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. Motor vehicles observed at the field entrance

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(2) An Adcock DF station. To date one DF station had been observed in Wittstock, but the presence of two DF stations is confirmed

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(3) The number and type of aircraft observed indicate that the airfield is occupied by one fighter regiment. This assumption has been confirmed

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(5) The two radar sets whose presence is known from previous reports belong to the fighter corps headquarters stationed in Wittstock.

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